"The South 40"
by JAMES A. SMITH
EXTENSION AGENT

Bulls at the Culpeper and Dublin test stations are coming along real good. At Culpeper there will be a group of junior and senior bulls for sale. The senior bulls have completed their test.

There were 49 bulls with an average feed test daily gain of 2.77 lbs. Fourteen of the 49 bulls had a 365 day weight of 1000 lbs. or better.

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Don't forget the Virginia Beef Cattle Annual Meeting at Natural Bridge February 5 and 6.

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Last year the Flue Tobacco growers averaged $1,407 per acre for their crop. The combined Federal, State, County and Local governments tax on one acre of tobacco is $7,462.

The average pack of cigarettes in 1970 cost 37 cents of which 18 cents was tax.

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When tomatoes are grown on a trellis from 1000 to 1500 man-hours are needed to grow an acre.

Last season several Southwest Virginia growers tested cages along side trellis rows.

Cages are built during the winter months using concrete reinforcing mesh, 3 1/2 to 5 feet tall, cutting and bending the mesh into cylinders 18 to 24 inches in diameter. Heavy bolt cutters will be needed to cut the 10 gage wire frame, bending the ends together and snipping off the bottom rung, so that the cage can be pushed into the ground about 6 inches deep.

The caged plants set 2 feet apart with rows on 5-foot centers produced slightly better than trellised plants.

After transplanting, a cage is pushed down over each plant. No suckering or pruning or training is done. The plant simply grows up through the cage with some leaves and stems coming through the 6 - inch square of wire mesh, supporting the plant in an upright position.

Sunscald and fruit cracking were greatly reduced on cage plots.

Cages may be left in the field after use and have a life expectancy of 20 years.

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A house gardner in Norfolk recorded an average yield of 66 pounds of high-quality fruit per plant using cages in 1952. This is equal to 165 tons per acre. Certainly this is a fantastic yield and gives you something to shoot for.

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There's a good article in the January issue of Progressive Farmer on the development of a stalk-cut-tobacco harvester in Maryland. Dark tobacco growers will be interested in reading about the piece of equipment.

We expect to obtain on loan one of these harvesters to use in this area next summer. If you are interested in seeing it operate in your community, please contact us.

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You'll be reading about the use of multi-purpose chemicals on tobacco. Such chemicals are generally promoted as being effective against nematodes and diseases.

It looks like that most of these multi-purpose chemicals are conventional materials plus Chloropicrin. We will recommend that it be applied as a broadcast. Frankly, the costs will be too great to justify this method. So if you have a nematode problem, use a conventional nematode material and a resistant variety of tobacco.

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4-Hers Speak On Many Subjects

The above picture is of some of Miss Hancock's 7th graders who gave demonstration or illustrated talks at their January 13th 4-H Club Meeting. From left to right is William Page who gave a talk on gun safety; Jerry White who gave a talk on 4-H Facts; Bruce Gallier who gave a demonstration on photography; Teresa Allen who gave a demonstration on how to make chocolate drop cookies; Kathie Garris who gave a demonstration on how to make a cake and actually passed out the final product for a taste test by the class; Robin Carter and Frances Childress gave a demonstration on correct table manners. Although Miss Hanock is relatively new at the teaching profession, she has done a great job with her 7th grade 4-H Club according to Jesse R. Ford, Extension Agent.

VPHA Meeting

The Virginia Polled Hereford Association will hold its annual meeting Friday and Saturday, February 13 and 14 at Natural Bridge, Virginia.

The convention is Virginia's largest beef cattle gathering. Keynote address will be given by Kenneth Monfort, a nationally prominent cattle feeder and meat packer from Colorado.

Pamplin Elem. School Menu

Jan. 25 – Balogna with 2 slices bread, green peas, potato chips, peach cobbler, milk.

Jan. 26 – Ham and hot biscuits, snaps, fruit jello and lettuce, butter, milk.

Jan. 27 – Spiced ham on buns sliced cheese, buttered rice, pineapple salad, milk.

Jan. 28 – Turkey hash with potatoes, carrots and green peas, tossed salad, hot bread and apple butter, milk, butter.

Jan. 29 – Hot dogs, beans, cold slaw, fruit salad jello, nut bread, butter, milk.

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Over and above our regular Steak House Menu, we will run this week the following:
Sunday - Cold Cuts and Fried Chicken
Monday - Country Ham
Tuesday - Italian Spaghetti
Wednesday - Charcoal Pork Chops
Thursday - Liver and Onions
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A New Sunday Lunch Menu is also on our regular agenda.
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DEATHS

SAMUEL TILDEN LEE

Samuel Tilden Lee, 68, died Friday in Virginia Baptist Hospital.

Born in Appomattox County, he was the son of Joel Tilden Lee and Anna Bondurant Lee.

He was a retired farmer and a member of Hebron Baptist Church in Appomattox.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Margaret Wheeler Lee of Appomattox; one son, Wayne Lee of Appomattox; two daughters, Mrs. Earl Agee of Appomattox and Mrs. Carlton Elliott of Rustburg; one sister, Mrs. Lucille Burnette of Concord, and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Sunday at Hebron Baptist Church by the Rev. Dennis Moore, assisted by Dr. Thomas Lea and Rev. G. Edward Hughes. Burial took place in the church cemetery.

Pallbearers were Aubrey Burnett, Tom Ray Burnett, Joe Burnett, Kemp Nixon, Harry G. Davison, Hermann Lee, Carroll Moseley and Richard Bondurant.

LUTHER M. SHELTON

Pamplin – Luther M. Shelton, 61, died Thursday, Jan. 14 in Lynchburg General-Marshall Lodge Hospital.

Born in Madison County, N. C., he was the son of Montgomery Shelton and Julia S. Shelton.

He is survived by six sons, Edgar Shelton of Greenville, N. C., Ed Shelton of Victoria, Va., Shelton of Cedar Bluff, Va., Shelton of Marshall, N. C., Paul Shelton of New Castle, Ind. and Andrew Shelton of Greensboro, N. C.; six daughters, Mrs. Sue Bryant of Unicoi, Tenn., Mrs. Walter Shelton of Appomattox, Mrs. Robert Saunders, Mrs. Frank Ramsey, Mrs. Daniel Thomas and Mrs. Roy Jones of Pamplin, 38 grandchildren and 44 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at 3 p.m. Saturday from Robinson Funeral Home by the Rev. Winfred Elder. Burial took place in Rocks Baptist Church Cemetery.

S. ROLFE STRATTON

Sterling Rolfe Stratton of Greenbelt, Md., died Thursday in the Prince Georges General Hospital, Cheverly, Md. at the age of 52.

A service was held Saturday at 9 a.m. at Gasch's Funeral Home, Hyattsville.

Graveside services were held Saturday in Prospect Hill Cemetery by the Rev. John P. Oliver, Jr.

Mr. Stratton was the son of Elizabeth B. Stratton and the late T. C. Stratton of Front Royal.

Surviving with his mother are his wife, the former Bertha V. Cameron; two daughters, Barbara and Connie Stratton and one son, William, all at home.

He was the brother of T. J. Stratton of Silver Spring, Hubert Stratton of Winchester, Mrs. Cornelia McGrath of McGrath of McLean and Mrs. Mary Lena Baran of Belmont, Calif.

Mr. Stratton was a former resident of Appomattox County.

MRS. LEWIS H. GOBBLE

PAMPLIN – Mrs. Lillie Goin Gobble, 68, wife of Lewis H. Gobble of Pamplin, died Monday in a Farmville nursing home.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by a brother, Emmett R. Gowin of Burkeville, and a sister, Mrs. R. E. Townsend of Farmville.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Walkers Presbyterian Church in Hixburg with burial in the church cemetery.

Doyne-Burger Funeral Home of Farmville was in charge of arrangements.

FRANK LEE WOMACK

Pamplin – Frank Lee Womack 73, died Saturday in Piedmont State Hospital.

Born in Prince Edward County, he was a son of Augustus H. Womack and Bettie B. Womack. A member of Elon Baptist Church, he was a retired farmer.

He is survived by two brothers, Ernest M. Womack of Pamplin and Johnny H. Womack of Nitro, W. Va.; two sisters, Mrs. Fannie W. Tillery of Pamplin and Mrs. Thomas L. Harper of Richmond.

Graveside services were conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Womack Family Cemetery in Pamplin by the Rev. R. P. Welch. Roinson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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Factors Cited For Soybean Success

One big segment of the current technological revolution in agriculture is production of soybeans – a specialty crop only 20 years ago and now one of the major U. S. crops, along with corn and wheat. J. P. Alvis, Jr., Chairman of the Appomattox Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation (ASC) Committee, reports that the annual growth rate for the soybean economy in that period has been 22 percent- from 15 million bushels annually to a record 430 million bushels.

Soybeans have been a spectacular success in world trade, Mr. Alvis reported. Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Clarence D. Palmby recently* cited four reasons for this success. Pointing out that in the last marketing year the U. S. exported soybeans to 35 countries, Mr. Palmby said:

"To begin with, our country is the world's most efficient producer of soybeans. This ideal combination of nature and people and technology has made it possible for us to produce an outstanding product at competitive prices . . .

"Second, living standards around the world are improving, and this means greater consumption of meat, milk, poultry products – plus an outstanding use of vegetable oils. Both trends add to the growing market for soybeans.

"Third, U. S. soybeans are able to move with relative freedom into many markets that take a protectionist attitude toward some of our other products. For example, our soybeans have duty-free entry into the European Community under 'bindings' negotiated under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT); we are eager to maintain that zero duty. Also, U. S. soybeans have had generally good access to the Japanese market – with some further liberalization coming about this year.

*At the World Congress Meeting of the American Oil Chemists' Society and the International society for Fat Research, Chicago, September 28, 1970.

Installation At Mt. Shiloh Sunday

Installation services for all officers of the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church will be held this Sunday at 7 p.m. The pastor of the church will deliver the sermon and special music will be rendered by the Mount Airy Junior Choir. A special selection will be rendered by the Mount Shiloh Junior Choir. The officers are asked to be present. The public is cordially invited to attend this service.

The regular meeting of the Promise Land Baptist Church will be held this Saturday at 12 p.m. All officers and members are urged to be present. The program of work for the new year will be presented.

A large crowd of relatives and friends attended the funeral services for the late Mr. Jasper Johnson at the Zion Baptist Church last Sunday evening at 1 p.m. The pastor of the church, Rev. J. A. Carter, officated and delivered the eulogy. Rev. R.Q. Lawsing assisted the pastor and gave remarks on the life of the deceased as a former student of the Carver Price High School. Special music was rendered by the Senior Choir of Zion Baptist Church. Mrs. Gevena Wiggins read a poem and Mrs. O. W. Smith made the acknowledgements and read the family letter. Burial was held in the Mount Pleasant cemetery in Hixburg.

Impressive services were held at the Galilee Baptist Church last Sunday morning. The pastor delivered a special sermon. Special music was rendered by the Senior and Junior Choirs. Mr. George Stevens reported $50.00 as the birthday leader for the month of January. Several visitors attended the service.

The public is reminded of the special class conducted each evening in the Agricultural department at the Appomattox Intermediate School each Tuesday and Thursday evening from 7 p. m. to 10 p.m.

A large crowd attended the regular Sunday school at the Galilee Baptist Church last Sunday. The superintendent was very happy to greet the new members who registered. We are asking all members to come and be involved in the work of the Sunday school.

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